



## DELMARVA AGRICULTURE DATA WEEKLY BROILER CHICKS REPORT

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### PLACEMENTS DOWN 2%

For the week ending September 28, 2002, growers placed 11.1 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 1.9% below the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.1 million) decreased 1.9% from the comparable week in 2001. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.0 million, a decrease of 11.7% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.6 million for the week ending September 21, 2002 compared to 11.5 million slaughtered during the same week in 2001.

### BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
----- THOUSANDS -----						
* 08/03/2002	<b>14,279</b>	14,703	<b>11,820</b>	11,760	<b>11,820</b>	11,760
* 08/10/2002	<b>14,184</b>	14,668	<b>11,726</b>	11,890	<b>11,778</b>	11,890
* 08/17/2002	<b>14,154</b>	14,589	<b>11,616</b>	11,970	<b>11,616</b>	11,970
* 08/24/2002	<b>14,391</b>	14,430	<b>11,685</b>	12,131	<b>11,687</b>	12,132
* 08/31/2002	<b>14,278</b>	14,572	<b>11,700</b>	12,071	<b>11,700</b>	12,071
* 09/07/2002	<b>13,810</b>	13,536	<b>11,528</b>	12,017	<b>11,530</b>	12,017
* 09/14/2002	<b>12,238</b>	13,395	<b>11,727</b>	11,891	<b>11,727</b>	11,891
* 09/21/2002	<b>14,389</b>	<b>12,512</b>	<b>11,676</b>	<b>11,990</b>	<b>11,679</b>	<b>11,990</b>
* 09/28/2002	<b>14,668</b>	12,954	<b>11,270</b>	11,056	<b>11,270</b>	11,056

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

\* Revised.

### NEGOTIATED PRICE FOR TRUCKLOT OF READY-TO-COOK, ICE-PACK, GRADE A FRYERS (\$ per CWT) 1/

	WEEK ENDING	PREV.	PREV.	PREV.
	10/05/2002	WEEK	MONTH	YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	44.87	49.55	48.27	56.91
12-City Composite 2/	53.07	54.83	56.31	62.02

1/ Source: U.S.D.A., Poultry Market News.

2/ 12-cities: Boston/New England, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and San Francisco.

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